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a report on the K.Y. Voroshilov Works in
Dubnica nad Vahom (M 48-58, E 18-11). The report states that the production
of smaller weapons was transferred from Dubnica to Trencin. A sketch shows
the location and layout of the plant.

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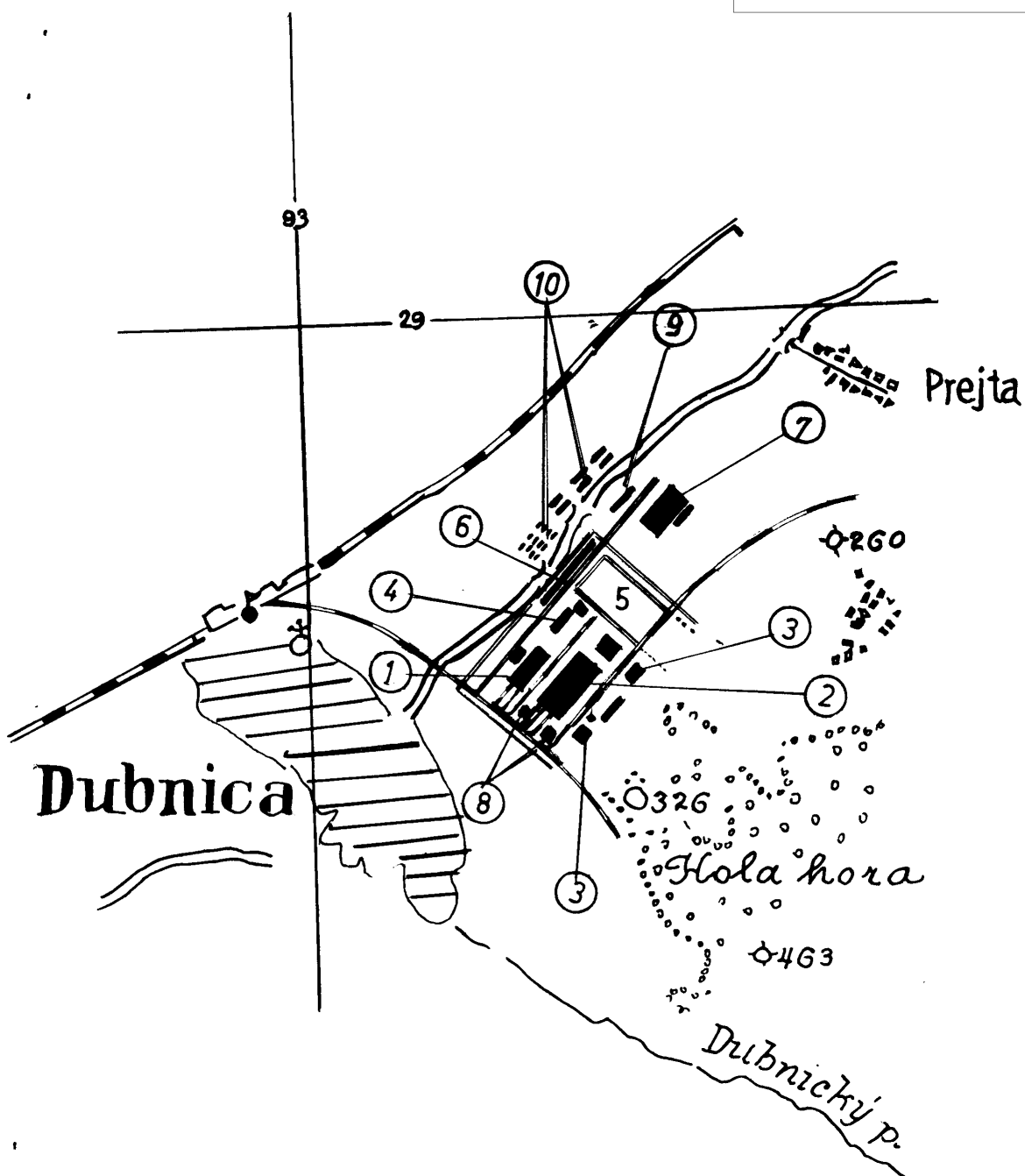
1. The reconstruction and enlargement work which was started in 1949 is still in progress. In the area of the original Skoda Works a new steam electric power station, a transformer, a rolling mill, a forging and pressing department and a series of warehouses were built. Also a new foundry with electric Siemens furnaces was constructed. Four furnaces were finished by the end of 1955; the assembly of furnaces was done by the employees of the Siemens Works from Vienna. New buildings have been built in the other part of the Works which is in the Lieskovec brook valley. The construction work was done by Ocelostav Brno and Vitkovice and by Stavindustria Bratislava. 25X1
2. The production of smaller weapons was transferred from Dubnica to Trencin where a new armament plant was established in the former plant Omnia. Dubnica Works continued the production of all kinds of field, heavy and antiaircraft guns from the caliber of 45 mm up, mortars, tank turrets, artillery and mortar shells and for 1956 a production of rocket launchers was to be added to the existing production plan. Semimanufactured steel was supplied by Vitkovice Steelworks and Poldina Foundries in Kladno. The steel used for production was of a low quality and there were frequent cases of cracks in gun barrels.
3. Electric current was supplied partly by own electric plant and partly by Puchov Hydroelectric Plant. The Dubnica Works were guarded by about 200 members of Interior Guard in addition to their own factory guard unit. The number of employees was constantly growing and full three production shifts were in effect.
4. Ing. Dvorak (fnu), [redacted] was the engineer in charge of new construction. About 15 army officers were on duty in the factory. 25X1

Legend for the sketch

- (1) Gun assembly hall; it is an old hall which was enlarged after WW-II. Present dimensions 50 x 200 m; two spurs enter the hall.
- (2) Complex of inter-connected production halls; it contains: casting hall, tempering shop, forging hall, pressing hall, etc. The complex is about 200 m long and 70 m wide; it has three spurs and four overhead large cranes.
- (3) Two new halls, in 1955 still under construction; each hall will be about 80 x 40 m large. Between these halls are maintenance workshops and the electric transformer station.

- (4) Administrative building; two-storied, about 80 x 15 m large, contains technical administration offices. Next to it is the new steam power plant which started supplying the electric current in 1955.
- (5) Old underground production hall; contains finishing lathes for turning of gun barrels.
- (6) Complex of ground-floor and two-storied buildings containing: offices, club premises, wash rooms, guard rooms for the factory guards and for the Interior Guard detachment.
- (7) New production hall under construction since 1954; allegedly, either airplane parts or rockets were to be produced in the new hall. The hall will cover an area of about 200 x 100 m. In 1955, a three-storied office building was under construction adjacent to the new production hall; the office building was about 100 x 10 m large.
- (8) Gasworks and a firehouse. The gasworks is in the southeast corner.
- (9) Garages, about 60 x 10 m. A spur was prolonged to reach the area between the garages and the new production hall.
- (10) The area of newly built or planned administrative buildings and housing facilities, including a hospital.

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